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SENIOR BUS PASSES OFFERED ON THE WESTSIDE

HONOLULU - OCTOBER 15, 2003 - CITY COUNCILMEMBER MIKE GABBARD announced today that the City will expand its senior and disabled bus pass processing centers to better serve the Leeward area.

Gabbard contacted the Department of Transportation Services (DTS) last week urging the City to open new bus pass centers in Council District 1 (Ewa-Kapolei-Wai'anae Coast). After being told about the need for additional manpower, Gabbard offered the assistance of his staff to help operate the new bus pass centers.

"This is great news for our Leeward kupuna," Gabbard said. "Making our seniors go all the way into Pearlridge to get their new bus passes is unacceptable. My thanks to DTS Director Cheryl Soon for working with me to make this happen. This is an example of government being responsive to the needs of our citizens."

The Wai'anae bus pass/ID processing center will be located in the conference room at the Wai'anae Neighborhood Community Center (85-670 Farrington Highway). It will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Monday, October 20th and Wednesday, October 29th to serve the residents of the Wai'anae Coast.

Senior/disabled bus passes and IDs will be offered in the main conference room at Kapolei Hale (1000 Uluohia Street) on Thursday, October 30th. The processing center will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and will serve walk-in customers primarily from Ewa, Kapolei, Makakilo, Honokai Hale, and the Wai anae Coast. Arrangements have been made to provide shuttle service to transport seniors from the Kapolei Transit Center to Kapolei Hale during processing center hours.

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